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Good morning.

We're covering **Iran's nuclear program**, Greece's **new prime minister** and a **U.S. victory in the Women's World Cup**.

By Mike Ives

Iran announces new breach of nuclear deal limits

Tehran has surpassed the limits on uranium enrichment set in an international pact intended to keep it from producing a nuclear weapon, the country's atomic energy agency said today. That inches Iran closer to where it

was before the landmark 2015 accord: on the path to being able to produce an atomic bomb.

Despite the move, experts say Iran is still far from developing a bomb's worth of highly enriched uranium, much less manufacturing a nuclear weapon.

But Iran's president, Hassan Rouhani, is betting that the U.S. will back away from crushing sanctions or that he can split European nations from the Trump administration, which withdrew from the nuclear accord last year.

Related: Britain's ambassador to the U.S. described President Trump as "radiating insecurity" in a series of leaked diplomatic cables that included assessments of Washington's treatment of Iran.

Another angle: A fifth of the world's oil supply flows through the Strait of Hormuz, a shipping channel near Iran that is barely two miles wide.

ICE exploits facial recognition technology

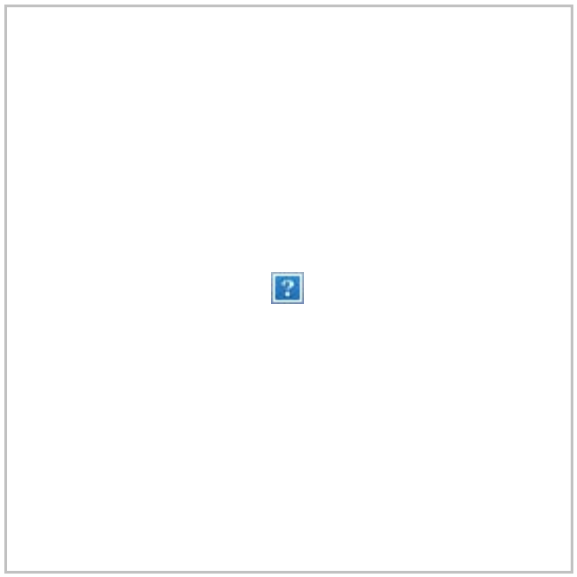
Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have mined state driver's license databases using facial recognition technology without motorists' knowledge.

The use of the technology by law enforcement is not new, but this is the first known instance of ICE's using the technique. In at least two states, Utah and Vermont, which offer licenses to undocumented immigrants, the agency was permitted to search photographs for matches, newly released documents show.

Related: President Trump contested reports that migrant children were being held in horrific conditions at border centers.

Yesterday: The Justice Department said it was replacing the legal team that

had defended the Trump administration's effort to place a citizenship question on the 2020 census.



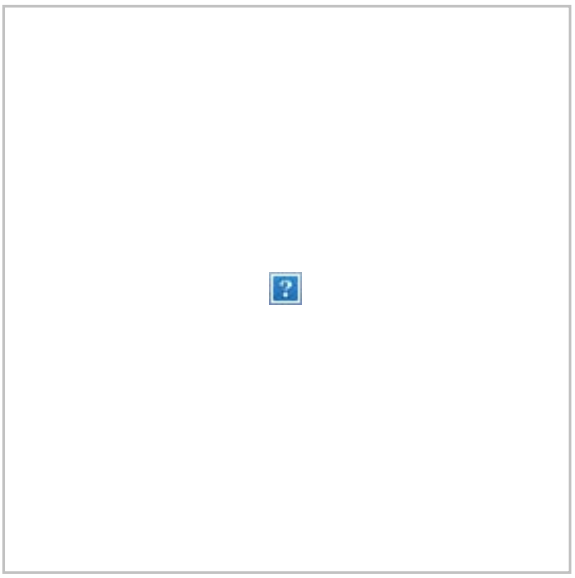
Joe Buglewicz and Hilary Swift for The New York Times

Warren and Harris ride 2020 groundswells

Senators Elizabeth Warren, above left, and Kamala Harris, above right, appear to be benefiting from a deep hunger within the Democratic electorate for big ideas and groundbreaking female leadership as their campaigns for the nomination gather momentum.

Their rise, which has come largely at the expense of the early front-runners, Senator Bernie Sanders and former Vice President Joe Biden, raises a question: Can they avoid dividing two powerful constituencies — women and educated liberals — whose support could make one of the candidates a dominant force in the race?

In case you missed it: Over the weekend, Ms. Harris and Ms. Warren introduced major new proposals to address racial disparities.



Megan Rapinoe held the World Cup trophy aloft after the final in Lyon, France, on Sunday. Francisco Seco/Associated Press

U.S. wins Women's World Cup, again

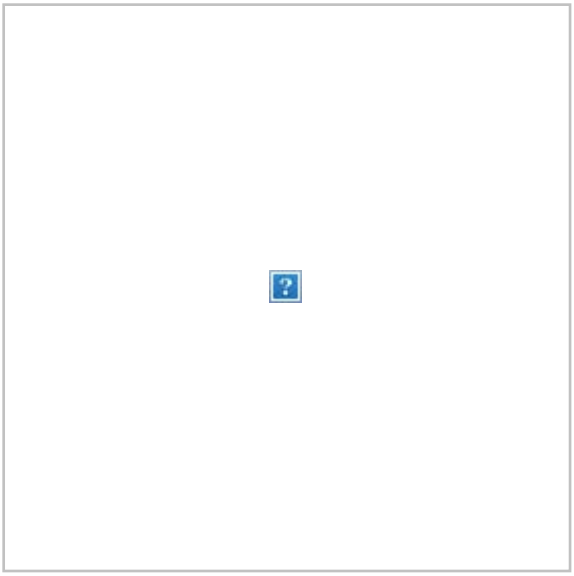
Goals by Megan Rapinoe and Rose Lavelle propelled the Americans to a record fourth World Cup championship with a 2-0 win over the Netherlands on Sunday.

The victory cements the U.S. team's status as the gold standard in women's soccer, even as European rivals edge closer. The team will be honored on Wednesday with a ticker-tape parade through Manhattan.

Closer look: The American women can expect a payday of about $250,000 for their achievement. By comparison, France's male players split $38 million for winning the men's World Cup last summer.

If you have 10 minutes, this is worth it

American stories, built on slavery



George Monroe Jr. grew up on a homestead built by his great-great-grandfather, Ned Monroe. Miranda Barnes for The New York Times

President James Monroe supported abolition but enslaved up to 250 people during his lifetime. Some of their descendants have lived for generations near his former plantation.

The property is now a museum, and some of the descendants are working with curators to document the role that slavery played there — and the effects it had on their family histories.

Here's what else is happening

New prime minister in Greece: Alexis Tsipras, who confronted international creditors but later caved to their demands for austerity, was defeated in a landslide election on Sunday. Our reporter profiled his center-right successor, Kyriakos Mitsotakis.

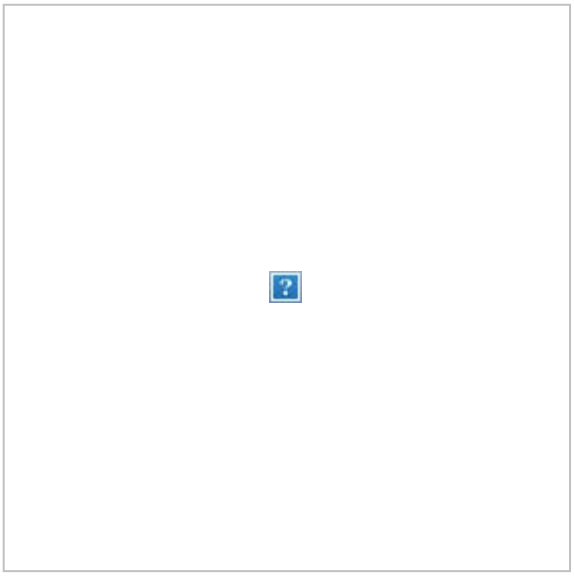
Afghanistan talks: The Taliban met on Sunday for the first time with Afghan officials. Talks continue in Qatar today as both sides try to break the ice for direct negotiations on Afghanistan's political future.

Deutsche Bank: The German lender unveiled an overhaul that would slash

about 18,000 jobs, focusing on units in London and New York, as part of an effort to end a decade of decline and scandal.

Billionaire charged: Jeffrey Epstein, a New York financier accused of molesting dozens of girls, is expected to appear before a federal magistrate today on charges of sex trafficking.

Alaska's education budget: Lawmakers in Alaska will convene a special legislative session today to decide whether to override Gov. Mike Dunleavy's use of a veto last month to cut $130 million from the state university system's operating funds.



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Snapshot: Above, visitors at an exhibition in Mexico City on Saturday that marked the birth of the artist Frida Kahlo in 1907.

In memoriam: Eva Kor, who survived sadistic experiments on twins at Auschwitz, spent decades telling of the Holocaust's horrors. She died at 85.

João Gilberto was a primary creator of bossa nova, a musical style that drew from Brazilian samba and American pop and jazz. He died at 88.

The Weekly: In the latest episode of The Times's TV show, our reporter Sabrina Tavernise explores why competition from Silicon Valley, pressure

from Wall Street and fundamental changes in how we get around are forcing transformative changes at General Motors.

What we're reading: This New Yorker article from 2000. Anna Holland, an editor in our London newsroom, writes: "Twenty years ago this summer, Stephen King was hit by a van near his summer home in Maine. Doctors debated amputating his right leg. He wrote this piece, published a year after the accident, and it is as riveting and spine-tingling as any of his novels."

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Now, a break from the news

David Malosh for The New York Times

Cook: Rice and beans with extras like pickled jalapeños, avocado and warm tortillas makes a simple, tasty meal.

Listen: On her fifth solo album, the singer and songwriter Jesca Hoop teams with the producer John Parish, and strange things still happen in her music.

Watch: As the 50th anniversary of the moon landing approaches, these movies, television shows and podcasts help shine a light on the story.

Go: In the Berkshires, a new work and revivals of a classic play and musical are having a conversation about different kinds of incarceration.

Smarter Living: If you're heading into the workplace as a working mother, negotiate for maximum flexibility and ditch the guilt. Research has shown that working mothers have higher-achieving daughters and sons more likely to share the chores than mothers who stay home full time. Lauren Smith Brody, the author of "The Fifth Trimester," has more helpful ideas in our Working Women's Handbook.

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And now for the Back Story on …

Wimbledon and its white tennis outfits

The tournament takes its name for an area less than 10 miles southwest of central London.

The Museum of Wimbledon traces human habitation there to at least 4000 B.C., as hunters ceded territory to those clearing forests to cultivate crops and raise domesticated animals.

The name was first recorded in the Middle Ages as Wunemannedun, or Wynnmann's Hill. In 1550, when an official serving King Edward VI established a residence there, it became a haunt of high society.

In 2013, Wimbledon officials made Roger Federer ditch his orange-soled shoes. Adrian Dennis/Agence France-Presse — Getty Images

In the 1870s, it was also a center for the genteel game of croquet, soon to be overshadowed by a novel sport that became known as lawn tennis.

The All-England Croquet Club at Wimbledon held its first tennis tournament in 1877.

The niceties carried over from croquet, including a distaste for seeing sweat soaking through clothes.

White makes that far less noticeable, and when the club sitting on land once plowed by man and beast updated its name to include Lawn Tennis, it kept the rule that players must wear white (though a few colored accents are allowed).

That's it for this briefing. See you next time.

— Mike

Thank you

To Mark Josephson and Eleanor Stanford for the break from the news. Andrea Kannapell, the Briefings editor, wrote today's Back Story. You can reach the team at briefing@nytimes.com.

P.S.

• We're listening to "The Daily." Today's episode is on the trial of a Navy SEAL.
• Here's today's Mini Crossword, and a clue: Bar mitzvah party dance (4 letters). You can find all our puzzles here.
• The first reference to Wimbledon in The New York Times was a mention in July 1860 that Queen Victoria planned to review 20,000 or more volunteer riflemen there, ahead of a shooting competition at which she would fire a rifle.

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